Welcome!

This is a classic class with a small group of students focusing on grammar, vocabulary, and error corrections.

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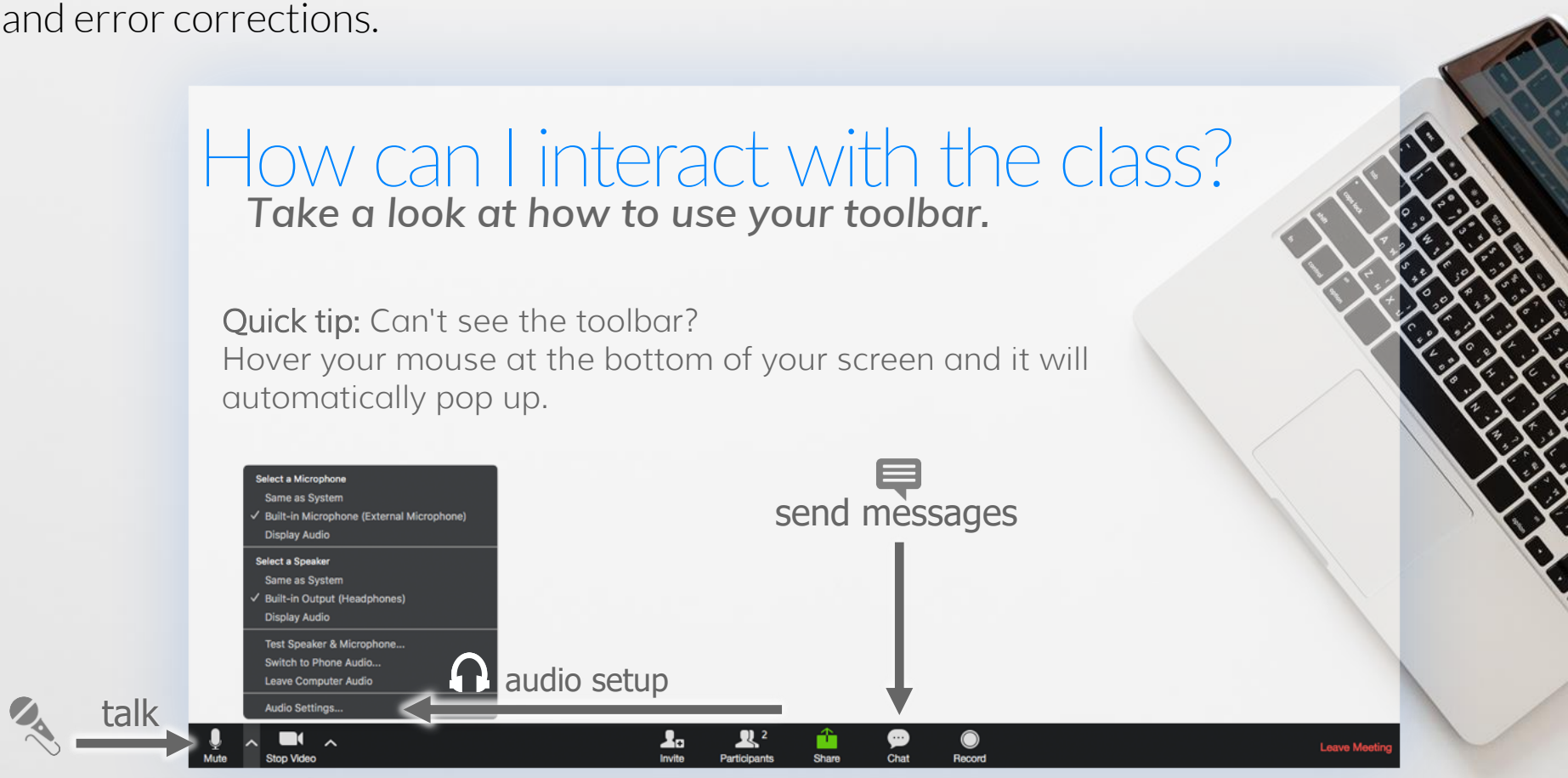

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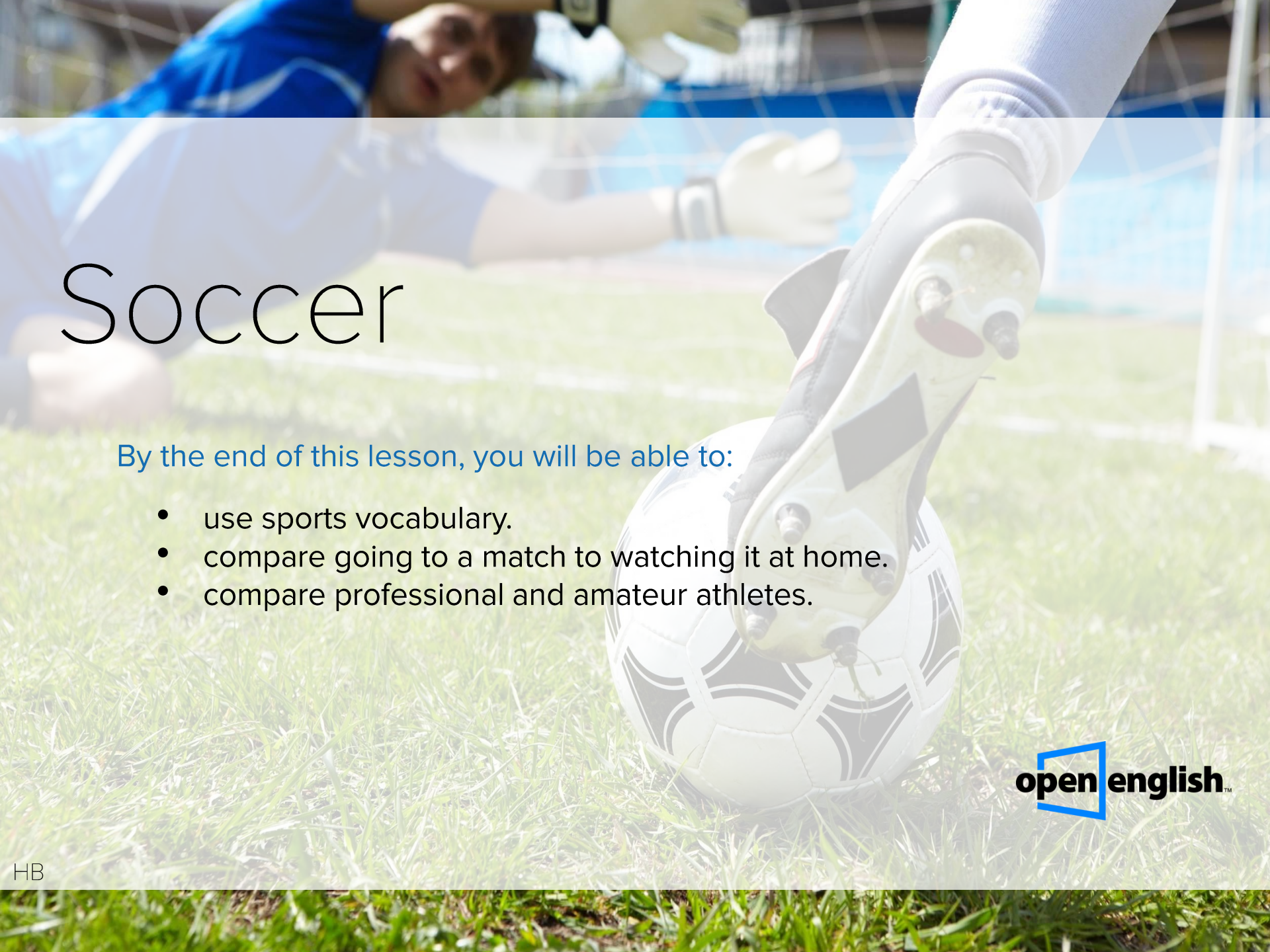

Soccer

By the end of this lesson, you will be able to:

- use sports vocabulary.
- compare going to a match to watching it at home.
- compare professional and amateur athletes.

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Warm Up

Answer the questions with your teacher and your classmates.

In the U.S., football is called soccer.

- Do you like soccer? Why or why not?
- Do you play soccer?
- What is your favorite team?
- Who is your favorite player? Tell the class about them.

Vocabulary Match

First, guess what each word means. Then, match the words to their definitions.

player

famous

professional

amateur

referee

goalie

The player in front of the goal

A person who is playing a game

The person who judges the game

A person who gets paid to do something

Known by many people

An athlete who plays for no money

Vocabulary Fill in the Blank

Complete the sentences with the correct vocabulary words and answer the question.

All of the _____ are practicing.

Pelé was a _____ soccer player.

To make a point, you must kick the ball past the _____.

He doesn't get paid to play. He's an _____.

The _____ will decide who wins the match.

_____ soccer players can make a lot of money.

players	famous	professional	amateur	referee	goalie

What other sports words do you know?

Pronunciation Practice

Listen to your teacher say the words. Practice saying them.

A.	B.
foot	feet
ball	bell
match	mats
team	time
goal	girl

Make a sentence using at least two words.

Make a Story

Work with your teacher and classmates to make a story with the picture.

Take turns adding to the story. Explain what happened before, during, and after the picture. You have to continue the story from where your classmate stopped.

Words to Use:
team, match, win, excited, cheer

Grammar Practice

Add the correct form of the verb *to watch* to complete the sentence.

Erin: I don't like _____ recorded soccer matches on television.

Tina: Me neither, I prefer to _____ them live.

Erin: Did you _____ the match last night?

Tina: Yes, I _____ it at the bar downtown.

watch

watched

watching

Debate

Which do you prefer? Going to the match or watching the match at home?

going to the match

watching at home

I like going to the match more because_____.

I like watching the match at home more because _____.

Idiom

Talk about the idiom and answer the question with your teacher and classmates.

Die-hard fan = a huge fan of a sports team or celebrity

Are you a *die-hard fan* of a team or player? How do you show it?

Culture Corner

Read the paragraph about culture and discuss.

In the U.S., football is called soccer. American football is a very different sport. American football players wear heavy pads and helmets, and the ball is a different shape. American football players also use their hands more than their feet.

- Is soccer a popular sport in your country?
- Do people play American football in your country?
- Which do you prefer, soccer or American football? Why?

Sign Post

Read the quote and discuss.

"The important thing about soccer is that it is not just about soccer."

-Terry Pratchett

(English Author, 1948-2015)

What does this mean to you?

Do you agree with this sentence?

How can a soccer match have an important meaning?

Reading and Discussion

Read about professional soccer players and discuss them with your class.

Cristiano Ronaldo (left)

Professional soccer players can make a lot of money. For example, players on the Brazilian soccer team make over $8,600,000 a year.

- Who is your favorite professional soccer player? Why?
- Do you think professional soccer players should be famous? Why or why not?
- Do you think professional soccer players should make a lot of money? Explain.

Culture Corner

Read the paragraph about culture and discuss.

The World Cup is the most widely viewed sporting event in the world. In 2014, over 42% of the world watched. The tournament takes place every four years. Thirty-two teams compete to win the title of champion. The 2018 mascot was a wolf named *Zabivaka*, “the one who scores”. The people of Russia voted for him.

- Do you watch the World Cup? Why or why not?
- Do you want your country to host the games? Why or why not?
- What would be a good mascot for the next World Cup?

Role Play

Choose a role and act it out with a partner. Take turns.

Student A

You are a die-hard soccer fan. Explain to your friend why soccer is the best sport. Invite your friend to a soccer match.

Student B

You don't like soccer. You don't understand why it is so popular. Ask your friend questions about soccer. Decide if you will go to the match.

Class Project

Work with your class to complete this project.

You are die-hard soccer fans. You are going to the biggest match of the year. Decide how you will show your support for your team. Agree as a class.

Which team will you support?

What colors will you wear?

Will you paint your face?

What will you bring to the match for good luck?

What are your rituals during matches?

Wrap Up

Talk with your class and answer the questions.

Who are your favorite players?

Do you prefer to go to a match or watch one at home? Why?

What is the difference between professional and amateur soccer players?

Make a sentence with the verb *watch*.